

REMARKS

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed August 1, 2006, which has been reviewed and carefully considered. Reconsideration and allowance of the present application in view of the amendments made above and the remarks to follow are respectfully requested.

By means of the present amendment, the specification has been amended to correct a typographical error.

By means of the present amendment, claims 1-2 and 4-9 have been amended for better conformance to U.S. practice, such as beginning the dependent claims with 'The' instead of 'A'. Claims 1-2 and 4-9 were not amended in order to address issues of patentability and Applicants respectfully reserve all rights under the Doctrine of Equivalents.

In the Office Action, the Examiner indicated that claim 3 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Applicants gratefully acknowledge the indication that claim 3 contains allowable subject matter. By means of the present amendment, claim 3 has been canceled without prejudice, and independent claim 1 has been amended to include the features of claim 3. Further, claim 10

has been added that includes the feature of allowable claim 3. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that independent claims 1 and 10 be allowed. In addition, as claims 2, 4-9, and 11-14 depend from independent claims 1 and 10, Applicants respectfully request that claims 2, 4-9, and 11-14 also be allowed.

Further, it is respectfully submitted that new claims 15-20 are also allowable. In particular, it is respectfully submitted that the references used in rejecting claims 1-2 and 4-9, namely, U.S. Patent No. 4,814,760 (Johnston) and WO 01/02899 (Albert) do not teach or suggest the present invention as recited in independent claim 15 which, amongst other patentable elements, requires (illustrative emphasis provided):

a pressure sensitive elements having  
changeable electrical characteristics in response  
to a strain, the pressure sensitive elements  
comprising conducting particles with dendrites;  
the conducting particles being separated from  
each other and being configured to transfer  
electrons through the dendrites when a spacing  
between the dendrite is reduced by the strain.

A display having pressure sensitive elements dendrites for electron transfer is nowhere taught or suggested in Johnston. Rather, Johnston teaches a display using two layers of conducting

electrodes that create a change in conductance when one layer is deformed with respect to the other layer (column 1, lines 57-62), such as an increase in capacitance and/or decrease in resistance (column 3, lines 4-6). Nowhere is transferring electrons through dendrites is taught or suggested in Johnston. Albert is cited to allegedly show other features and does not remedy the deficiencies in Johnston.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that independent claim 15 is allowable, and allowance thereof is respectfully requested. In addition, it is respectfully submitted that claims 16-20 should also be allowed based at least on their dependence from independent claim 15.

In addition, Applicants deny any statement, position or averment of the Examiner that is not specifically addressed by the foregoing argument and response. Any rejections and/or points of argument not addressed would appear to be moot in view of the presented remarks. However, the Applicants reserve the right to submit further arguments in support of the above stated position, should that become necessary. No arguments are waived and none of the Examiner's statements are conceded.

It is believed that no additional fees or charges are currently due. However, in the event that any additional fees or charges are required for entrance of the accompanying amendment, they may be charged to Applicants' representatives Deposit Account No. 50-3649. In addition, please credit any overpayments related to any fees paid in connection with the accompanying amendment to Deposit Account No. 50-3649.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance, and a Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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